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Pursuant to Idaho Division of Purchasing Rule 42.10 (IDAPA 38.05.01.42.10(iv)), a determination has been made that competitive solicitation procedures are impractical, disadvantageous, and unreasonable when applied to the following within the Department of Health and Welfare. Other departments may apply for extension of this determination to a particular department provided the categories are the same:

- 1. Idaho Cancer Registry
- 2. **Specialized Foster Care Services (Level 1-3)** As provided for in the Rules Governing Family and Children's Services, IDAPA 16.06.01.484, wherein eligibility and rates are provided.
- 3. Professional, Group Foster Care Services and Intensive Treatment Facilities (Level 4-6, institutional and group care for minors) As provided for in Rules Governing Family and Children's Services, IDAPA 16.06.01.485 through 16.06.01.487, wherein guidelines for placement of children and for selection of the proper facility are provided
- 4. **Child Care Services** As provided for in Rules Governing the Idaho Child Care Program, IDAPA 16.06.12.305 through 16.06.12.305.04, wherein fees for day care services are established.
- 5. Required and established minimum standard rates -- Services for which the Department is required to and has established minimum standards of service provision performance by rule or by independent certification by a recognized entity in the field, and for which a standard fee or rate of reimbursement for service methodology is established by promulgated rule.
- 6. **Medical professionals**, as listed below. All must be licensed to practice in the State of Idaho.

Medical Doctors Doctors of Osteopathy

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Doctors of Dentistry
Doctors of Podiatry
Psychologists
Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners
Registered Nurses
Therapists
Speech Pathologists
Audiologists

- 7. **Locum Tenens Agreements** Locum tenens agreements are used to provide short-term or temporary health care professionals to fill staff vacancies. They are normally used to cover critical staff positions during times of vacancy due to vacations, extended illness or resignation. The primary use of these agreements will for physician services. However, there may be an occasional need for temporary health care professionals in other disciplines.
- 8. **Community Action Agencies** As provided in the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act, Public Law 105-285 (42 US Code 9901).

The requirement for competitive solicitations pursuant to statute and rules for these purchases is waived. Purchasers are cautioned to use prudent business judgment. The goal is to maximize the value of the benefit commensurate with the degree of effort, time available, and price reasonableness.

This exemption shall be effective until this policy directive is rescinded or replaced.

Jan G. Cox, Administrator

*The Rules cited in this Policy Directive are subject to legislative review as required by the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act.